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Lest We Forget

Memorial Day, the 30th of May, which was originally set aside to honor the men who died in the War between the States, at times seems to have degenerated into the first Holiday of the summer season, and for slaughter on the nation's highways.

This year when there are so many fresh graves, as the casualty lists grow in the Viet Nam Conflict, let us pause and reflect on the true meaning of the day. Do not let "their" memory be tarnished by the draft card burnings and Anti-War demonstrations. Whatever your opinion or feeling about the Viet Nam situation, keep in mind - No greater love hath man than to lay down his life for his Country.

Throughout the United States there will be parades and gatherings in the cemeteries to honor those members of America's Armed Forces who have given their lives for their Country. Plan to attend one.

IN FLANDERS FIELDS
by John McCrea

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place, and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly.
Scarce heard amid the guns below.
We are the dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.
Take up the quarrel with the foe,
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die,
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

Local Memorial Services.

New Tacoma Cemetery - 9221 Chambers Creek Road West
Band Concert at 10:45 Veteran's Day Program 11 A. M.
Speaker. James S. Russell, Admiral U. S. N. (Ret)

Mountain View Memorial Park 4100 Steilacoom Boulevard, S. W.
Memorial Services 11 A. M.
Speaker - State Attorney, John O'Connell

Calvary Cemetery 7201 54th West
Rosary and Prayers 11 A. M.

Fort Lewis
Memorial Services 11 A. M. at Flagpole in front of
Headquarters Building, Liggett and 8th.

Additional schedules will be found in the Suburban Times, and the T N T.

MAYOR ROBINSON SPEAKS

Before an interested group of Garden Club members, Mayor Robinson said;- "Our town finances are solvent, and DuPont is still enjoying the lowest tax rate in the State." Annually, at the invitation of the Club, Mayor Robinson has been asked to speak on the town's progress. This year, as previously, his comments proved to be most interesting, with a few surprises thrown in.

The Mayor commended the work accomplished by Town Marshal, Ken Karnes, and Fireman Myron Smith. He stated that former Marshal, Earle Milne, has been appointed to the Town Council, which has been kept up to strength despite the absence of hospitalized Jack Heuertz. Bids for a Pick Up Truck for the use of the Marshal, and for use as an auxiliary Fire Truck are being reviewed.

Mayor Robinson stated that DuPont's solvency amounted to $32,000 in 1964, $35,000 in 1965, and is expected to be higher this year. Approximately $13,000 is invested in Savings and Loan Associations, bringing 4½% interest annually for the town.

The town's tax rate has been 7 mills in direct taxation, bringing in last year about $1399. The Mayor stated that therewas no anticipation, or apparent need to raise the tax in the immediate future. A total amount of $5,200 is expected to be received by DuPont from the State in 1966 from taxes collected on gasoline, liquor, lights, the arterial tax, and motor vehicle tax. The town's valuation now stands at $199,000. This is good, the Mayor continued, but warned that as it goes higher it might bring the State Assessor to town.

The population of DuPont fluctuates with the activities of Fort Lewis. In 1964-65 the census was listed at 371. In the census taken April 1 of this year, because of a few vacancies, the amount dropped to 359, but is expected to rise to a higher figure during the summer.

Mayor Robinson gave a resume of House Bill #226, which he recommended that the townspeople review. The passage of this bill would benefit many small cities though not necessarily most large cities. The bill calls for returning 10% of the State sales tax of 4.2% to the towns on a per capita basis. In 1967, for example, on the current 4.2% tax, receipts would be approximately $300,000,000. This would bring to DuPont approximately $5,000 in revenue. The Mayor stated that such added revenue would equal, if not exceed, all of the present State tax refunds, and could be used for the building of a Community Center for the town. To a direct question from the floor as to whether any plans exist at this time for such a center, the Mayor answered in the negative, both as to the building proper, or the acquisition of land.

Mayor Robinson ststed that Governor Evans believes that Bill #226 is needed by many cities. Also he is in favor of "revamping" the State Constitution. At this point the Mayor mentioned that the DuPont Town Covenant should also be reviewed, and brought up-to-date. DuPont was incorporated in 1951, and the Covenant not changed since that time. It is up for review and extension in 1970. The Mayor stated that he is "strongly in favor" of a review and change of the Covenant where necessary.

In conclusion, Mayor Robinson commended the news coverage of The Villager, stating that it could be a valuable media in apprising the townspeople of Fall Elections and vacancies occurring. He expected that there would be some vacancies on the School Board, three in Town Council, and, without doubt, his own. He continued, saying that he has been in office for 15 years, and has just about made up his mind to retire to "six months in Florida and six months in DuPont." He concluded his talk by asking his audience to seek out capable, younger men to take over the reins of Government.

MOVING.

Major and Mrs Stanley L. Sorenson and family left DuPont Thursday afternoon. Major Sorenson's new assignment will be as a Fixed Wing Instructor at Fort Rucker. If all goes well, the Sorenson's, with their children are planning to visit Disneyland before Major Sorenson reports to his new station. Good Luck! DuPont will miss you.

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Please drive carefull over the Holidays. We need our Readers. T.N.T.

Commencement and Baccalaureate Services.

May 29 is the day of the Laughbon Baccalaureate Services, to be held in the Main Chapel at Fort Lewis. Our town will be represented by our six graduating seniors, Rev. Grenville A. Dain, guest speaker, and Mrs Stanley Andre, Organist. Time is 3 P.M. and is open to the public.

Commencement Exercises will take place in the School Gymnasium on June 3 at 8 P.M. Guest Speaker will be Maj. Gen. Arthur S. Collins, Commanding General of Fort Lewis. Admission is by invitation only.

From the Editor's Desk.

Just for today I will try to live through this day only; and not tackle tomorrow's headaches.
Just for today I will be happy. Lincoln said, "Most folks are as happy as they make up their minds to be."
Just for today I will adjust myself to what is, and not try to adjust things to suit me.
Just for today I will try to strengthen my mind. I will study. I will learn something useful. I will not be a mental loafer.
Just for today I will exercise my soul in three different ways: I will do someone a good turn. I will do at least two things I don't want to do — just for exercise.
Just for today I will be agreeable. I will not find fault with anything, and not try to improve anyone but myself.
Just for today I will have a program. I may not follow it exactly, but I will have it. I will try.
Just for today I will have a quiet half hour all by myself, and relax.
Just for today I will be unafraid. I will not be afraid to believe that as I give to the world, so will the world give to me.

The reason so many people don't get ahead, is because they are too busy getting even.

MUSICAL A SUCCESS

"The Sound of Music" played to capacity crowds both nights of May 20 and 21. Mrs Kaufman and Mr Smith deserve the plaudits of the entire DuPont-Fort Lewis community for a production well prepared, and very entertaining. As usual, Mr Zirkle's stage settings were excellent, and his crew working backstage did a remarkable job in setting the numerous scenes. Mr Hotchkiss and his orchestra performed with great skill and effectiveness. The cast was well chosen and the students did remarkably well in their portrayals. DuPont is most proud of its young actors and actresses who took part in this magnificent production.
The DuPont students who took part are: Susan Daun, Mary Lester, Charmaine Andre, Carol Christiansen, Richard Andre, April Rieck, Mary Ann Shaver, Shirlee Daun, Marilyn Andre, and Sherrie Riley.

A. S. B. President.

In recent elections held at Laughbon High School, Mike Navarre, son of CWO and Mrs C. P. Navarre, of 401 Louviers, was elected Associated Student Body President, for the forthcoming year. Mike is well known for his athletic abilities.

The Pastor Ponders
by Grenville A. Daun

Those of you who take time to read this column may be far more conversant with history than the Author. I hope you are! The history of the early days of our country is a most fascinating account.
It has been my privilege to be in Boston for several days, to absorb something of the environment in which the Declaration of Independance was spawned, to let my imagination run freely while visiting famous sites along the Freedom Trail.
The spirit of responsible freedom which made the love of freedom meaningful is that which established this country's foundation on a solid rock.
What is that rock? Inescapably it is man's love for and responsibility to God! The impact of the Church is plain for all to see! It is obvious to all who read, the history written in books, on tomb stones, on monument markers that the flow of life moved around or out from the centers of the worship of God.
I wonder, if we were privileged to lay the foundations of a new society, upon what would we build? Would our successors find us to have been possessed with a great vision because we worshipped a great God?

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Real intelligence is like a river - the deeper it is, the less noise it makes.

SPECIAL

The DuPont Market is closing out all hardware and paint items at a 25% discount. Hurry over and pick up a few bargains.

Wanted to buy;-
6 year old crib with mattress. Sk 2-4473

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Dear Editor;-

There's something nice about living in a small town --- especially to former Big City dwellers and those of us who never were able to put down roots before.

This fact was brought home vividly by the recent speech of Mayor Robinson at the Garden Club meeting. The feeling of being an integral part of a society was evidenced by the questions asked after the conclusion of the Mayor's formal speech. The finances and plans of the town beca-e a personal concern of each individual.

It made the writer want to go out and brag a little more about "My Town" and how "My Mayor" took time to tell me about the workings of "My" local governmant.

N.W.R.

Dear Editor;-

Help is needed if we are to keep our town the peaceful, Pleasant place that we all boast that it is. Throughout the country and the world there is concern about increased lawlessness. Most people agree that much of the problem is the result of lack of firm knowledge of right and wrong. We can do our young people and ourselves a great service by helping them get a firm knowledge to work from. Our job is to be good examples by obeying all laws - - not just the ones that please us.

As J. Edgar Hoover wrote;- "Abuse of the law is a dangerous practice for freedom - loving people, and there can be no exceptions to compliance, for we know "Where law ends - there tyranny begins."

Let's all keep our town the way we want it by being good examples.

Ken Karnes.

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Just a Reminder ==

The summer sprinkling schedule is now in effect. Check your schedule so that you comply with the proper times and days.

Don't forget the alley trash pickup will be this week end. Have it ready for pick-up by the 28th.

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Have you noticed the hanging flower baskets are now dangling merrily from the lamp posts? Adds a bit of color to Barksdale Avenue, don't you think?

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Picnic

The DuPont Garden Club will hold its annual picnic, Tuesday June 7th. All members are reminded to bring their own table service. If you have any questions as to details, contact Veta Buck, Ju 4-1350. The picnic will be held at Town Hall Park, beginning at 11;30 A. M. Keep your fingers crossed for sunshine.

Lois Karnes, Scholarship Winner.

The DuPont Garden Club is pleased and proud to announce that Lois Karnes, daughter of Major and Mrs Ken Karnes, of 410 Louviers Ave., has been selected as winner of the 1966 Garden Club Scholarship.

The recipient of this award is judged by five Laughbon Faculty members. To be eligible the student must be a resident of DuPont for a minimum of 12 months, a senior at Laughbon High School, and must plan to attend an institution of higher learning. Judging is based on Academic Achievement, Leadership, Citizenship, and Personal Goals. To Receive the $100 award the student must be accepted by a school of higher learning (Academic or Vocational).

In addition to the Garden Club Scholarship, Lois has received a number of other honors. She will be leaving for Honolulu in June, where she will stay with her sister, Mrs Peggy Cybulski, while attending the University of Hawaii. Mr Cybulski is serving Uncle Sam in the Armed Services, and Peggy will welcome her sister's companionship.

Good luck to you, Lois, in all of your endeavors.

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From our Service Men.

Captain Dennis A. Forgey, son of Mr and Mrs Roy W. Forgey, of 305 Brandywine, has entered the Air University's Squadron Officer School at Maxwell A.F.B. in Alabama.

Mr and Mrs William Kelly entertained at a family dinner for twenty-two relatives in honor of their son, PFC James V. Kelly, who is home on a 15 day visit. James will return to his home station at Fort Sill, Oklahoma; and then to Oakland Army Terminal California, with his unit, where he will leave by ship for Southeastern Asia.

Michael Bryans, son of Mr and Mrs R. E. Bryans, of 410 DuPont Ave. is home to stay after thirteen months in Korea.

While there he became interested in an orphanage with about 180 children. He spent time there, entertaining the children and has been instrumental in getting clothing for them. The need there is very great.

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Picnic.

The Women's Association of the Church will have their annual picnic at Wapato Park on 72nd St. Tacoma, June 1st. All members are to bring their own table service. Martha Jecklin, Ju 4-1384 is in charge of food. Call her if you have any questions. Cars will meet at the Church at 11;30 A.M.

Pastor Dawn Returns

Grenville A. Dawn, Pastor of our Church has just returned from a two week trip to Boston where he attended the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church. He represented our Local Presbytery on business pertinent to that body, staying on to attend the entire session.

On his way East he stopped off at Xenia, Ohio, to visit his 93 year old Great-Aunt, spending one night there, and seeing the sights of the town and countryside.

While in Boston, which is so rich in the early history of this country, he was invited to the home of Betty Karnes sister, and her family. They took him to some of the historical spots, where he climbed Bunker Hill Monument -- 297 steps; inspected Old Ironsides (the Constitution) which was built in 1797, at a cost of $302,000; saw Plymouth Rock; and visited replicas of the homes built in 1620-7. He also visited Harvard University Campus, and the Old North Church, which is the oldest Church in North America, where the English and the Americans worshipped together, even while at war with one another. Enemies were buried side by side in the Church Grounds.

Pastor Dawn says that Boston is a constantly changing skyline, as tremendous building projects are under way. He enjoyed the subways and the restaurants - one of them is Durgin Park, which was started in 1829 and is still serving the public. Food in Boston is reasonably priced.

The Staff of the Villager is glad to have him home again, and to share in his enthusiasm for the heritage of this country.

Mr and Mrs John Gillespie of 402 Barksdale recently returned from a ten day Holiday in Hawaii. They went over by ship, and returned by air. Mrs Gillespie tarried in San Francisco to visit a while with her son, Robert Vinson.

While in Hawaii, they visited the famous Botanical Gardens, where every tropical tree in the world is to be found, plus a great display of orchids. They visited the aquarium, which boasts of a trick-performing whale, and the usual porpoises. They also attended a show in the International Market, and sampled food in all of the better restaurants. They had a marvelous trip.

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From the Firehouse --

I wish to thank the volunteers who responded to my plea for active participation. Your continued support is needed and we will be looking forward to new members joining us in future drills.

Myron Smith, Fire Chief

About Flags.

With three National Holidays coming up it might be well for you to check into the condition of your flag. If it needs replacing, you can buy one from J. K. Gill at the Tacoma Mall. They have them from 50¢ to $16.95. While you are there just run around the corner for lunch at Johnny's. Marvelous food, and a beautiful room. You will be glad you did.

Flag Days are; May 30; June 14; July 4.

Last Place Winners.

Myron and Nancy Smith, and Jim and Martha Haley worked real hard to capture the Last Place Trophy in the Last Niters League, at Villa Bowl. The trophies were presented at a Banquet at Brookdale Inn, May 21. Martha also won a trophy for high handicap game, a 270

Coming Event.

Spectacular Ballet presented by The Performing Dance Company of Tacoma, Saturday June 4, 1966, 8:00 P. M. Mt Tahoma Auditorium. Tickets available at the door. Students 75¢. Adults $1.50

A Fan Letter.

A letter from Robert Andre, who is attending Princeton University, in Princeton, New Jersey, says in part;-

"I may not have lived in DuPont very long, but I adopted that friendly little town as My Hometown. I enjoy all the news, especially the editorials. Please tell Pastor Dawn that as he enjoyed my editorials in the Times, I now look forward to reading his in The Villager.

A special "hello" to all my DuPont friends."

Robert's mother, Mrs Stanley Andre has been sending the paper to him. He will be home next week.

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Among our Friends.

Mr and Mrs Peter Yavelak of 601 Louviers, have joined the ranks of the non-walkers. They recently bought a car.

Mr and Mrs Walter Schinnell, 508 Louviers, are home after taking a two week vacation. While away they visited their son in Palm Beach.

Mrs Maria Moss, 408 DuPont, is recovering from eye surgery. Her husband, Sgt B. A. Moss is still in Korea.